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HOME TOWN FOLKS

Mr. and Mrs. George Jenkins, parents of Mr. L. B. Jenkins, are visiting here; they are from Des Moines, Iowa, and are being shown the sights of San Francisco by their son and daughter-in-law. Sample evening: dinner at the Cliff House and then the Ice Follies. Quite a "sample".

Carl and Barbara Enlow are also visiting the Jenkins and are joining in the festivities. The Enlows are from Hawthorne, Calif.

Oleta Counts, the new beauty operator at Bates Beauty Shop, is a newcomer to Brisbane from Warren, Arkansas. She likes our town and thinks she will stay. As she is a very nice person, as well as a good beauty operator, we like her and hope this will be her permanent home.

It is a little slow in getting into our office, but we hear that Mr. and Mrs. Harry J. Freel are the proud parents of a baby girl, born April 14. They have named her April Louise, one of the prettiest names we've heard in a long time.

Mrs. Mabel C. Rumohr has retired from active business for a while, and has not renewed her lease on the Tract Office. She has been active in Real Estate in Brisbane for many years, and her numerous friends wish her well and say, "It won't seem like Brisbane without Mrs. Rumohr in her corner office".

Mr. and Mrs. S. B. Fuller of Chevy Chase, Maryland, are newcomers to our town, and are now residing at 961 Sierra Point Road. Welcome, and we'll try to make you feel at home.

Mrs. Mattie E. Hamer spent an enjoyable Fourth of July week with Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Clark. She lives in Fullerton, in Southern California.

Mr. and Mrs. Dick Hosking had a grand vacation trip in July. They went North to fish for bass, then up into the high Sierras as far as Sierra City, and back to Yuba City and Grass Valley to visit friends. On the return trip they visited a cousin in Sacramento.

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Pistohl gave their new barbecue pit a "baptism of fire" on Sunday, July 13th. Fifteen guests helped the couple in the joint celebration of their birthdays, both of which fall in July. Al, resplendent in a brand new chef's cap and apron, served up a delicious steak and lamb chop dinner after wetting his own and his guests' appetites. Home movies delighted the friends after dark. Because of overpurchasing the Pistohls are still eating steak.

Steve Rewalk is "baching" in his home at 461 Mariposa until the end of August. Mrs. Rewalk and the two children are vacationing in Iowa. Mr. Rewalk motored the family east to his hometown in Connecticut and then back to the middle west. He flew home in July to return to work. If the washing he puts out every Sunday is an indication, his wife need have no worries about the condition of the house while she is away.

Frank King, owner of the Luxury Cleaners, and his family have returned to Brisbane after touring the continent. One of the points visited was the town across the East River from New York, Brooklyn. Frank is a native of that city. Also visited were South Dakota, Mrs. King's native state, and various parts of Canada. Both Frankie and wife have indicated that all the sentimental ties of their places of birth were broken on the trip and that they are now definitely Californians.

Harold Drummond closed his place of business, a barber shop in the Lopez Building on Visitacion last month. He has moved to Point Arena.

Mr. and Mrs. Ted Dagler spent the Fourth at Placerville and Lake Tahoe; they had a very enjoyable trip. Ted caught plenty of fish and Dot caught a nice case of poison-oak. These Daglers really travel: the week-end of the 20th Mrs. Dagler visited relatives in Chico, and Mr. D. flew up there to drive her home. With them on their return was Mrs. D's sister, who is visiting the family from Texas.

Married in Reno on July 21st were Marie Nizuk of 131 Santa Clara St., and Lee Evans of 161 San Bruno Ave. The couple are still away on their honeymoon.

Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Woodard and family, originally from Windsor, Vermont, are now living in Brisbane. Mr. Woodard is an insurance and real estate broker, formerly with American National Insurance and now in his own offices at the Mission Agency (see adv. in this issue) There are 3 children; the oldest — Judith — has already been elected president of the Junior Teen Club at the Recreation Center. And, to quote Judy, they all lo-ove Brisbane.

Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Solars have a baby daughter, Alice Joan, born on July 3.

Mr. Preston Barnes was severely burned while welding in the pit of his garage. His torch accidentally touched the gas tank, causing a leak which resulted in gas pouring over him. The gas ignited, and although he had the presence of mind to immediately smother the flames, he suffered from 3rd degree burns on his hands.

Mr. and Mrs. George Radoff just returned from a trip to Placerville and Georgetown and surrounding country; Mr. Radoff, who has been very ill, especially enjoyed the pleasant journey.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Penniwell were visiting Mr. and Mrs. D. D. Stout over the Fourth holidays; their daughter and her fiance were with them.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Strassberger and boys traveled to Los Angeles to see the boys' great-grandmother, who is 95 years young. They were gone a week and a half and visited many spots of interest in L. A. and had a grand time at Catalina.

Brisbane has a Well Baby Clinic.

One of the most beneficial services to come to Brisbane has been inaugurated at the Recreational Center. Here, under the watchful eyes of a doctor and registered nurse and assisted by volunteer workers of our P. T. A., children under six are given a complete physical examination. Any necessary shots or vaccines for the prevention of disease are given, and advice on nutrition, etc. is offered.

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Mr. and Mrs. Ted Bhend and daughter Joan, of 98 Sierra Point Road, traveled through Oregon on a three-week trip, seeing some beautiful country as well as the points of interest.

Mrs. Hume Fox and children are at Clear Lake for a week's vacation.

Mrs. Crystal Georges of San Jose, a former resident of Brisbane, died suddenly of a cerebral hemorrhage on July 2. Her many friends here were shocked to hear of her untimely passing.

She left her husband Earl, daughter Carol Lee, 15 and son Earl, 7. Also one sister, Mrs. G. E. Tarleton. They lived in Brisbane for 9 years.

Father O'Malley is back at the Brisbane Catholic Church, welcomed home by all. A reception was held for him Wednesday evening, July 9th, at the church. He is assisting Rev. Father Bransfeldt.

The Allen Bybee's are back from a wonderful trip to Utah and Yellowstone Park. Allen says the Yellowstone trout are sure whoppers!

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Schmidt and son Paul enjoyed an extended trip thru all the National Parks in southern Utah and Arizona. They also visited friends and relatives while enroute.

Edwin Pennfield Jensen, son of Mr. and Mrs. Milton Jensen, celebrated his fifth birthday on the 4th of July. He entertained seven of his little guests with a party featuring a large red, white and blue cake.

Mr. and Mrs. Ambrose of 70 Margaret Road, held a small Musicale Saturday evening, July 19. The guests were given small toy instruments to strum on, accompanied by Beth Duncan at the piano and Blair Higginbotham on the banjo. Some of the music was very good. The guests attending the affair were, Mr. and Mrs. Mahaffie, Mr. and Mrs. Holmberg, Mr. and Mrs. Jensen, Mr. and Mrs. Burgess, Mr. and Mrs. Duncan, Mr. and Mrs. Higginbotham.

After returning from a two weeks vacation in Los Angeles, Mr. and Mrs. Milton Jensen attended the wedding of their nephew Charles Lacey Jr. to Miss Gwen Merritt of Lomita Park.

FIRE GUTS HOME.

A fire caused by an explosion completely destroyed the contents of the home of Chas. Moore at 881 Humboldt Road, on Sunday, July 6, despite the valiant efforts of the Fire Department.

There was some delay in turning in the alarm so that by the time the volunteers appeared on the scene at 6:55 p. m. the blaze had gained considerable headway. Brought under control at 7:10 the fire had left only the four walls of the building standing. All the internal appointments, including a large amount of radio equipment were damaged beyond recovery. The building itself was rendered completely useless for reconstruction and will have to be torn down. Damage was fixed at \$2500 by Fire Marshall R. Siess, who said it was partially covered by insurance.

The Fire Department remained on the scene for an hour waiting for the remains to cool. Investigation revealed that Mr. Moore had turned on the gas oven in a kitchen stove for warmth and then went to sleep. A leaky gas line allowed a large amount of gas to escape into the oven causing an explosion which drove the stove through the floor.

Chief Terry disclosed that the gas masks secured from the wartime Civilian Defense program were put to a test and found lacking at this fire. Two members of the department donned the masks to enter the gas filled building and had to be rescued and resuscitated. One was taken to South City Hospital for emergency treatment. Immediately after the fire an order for three standard, underwriter approved masks was placed with a supply company.

During the evening an unknown person entered the gutted structure and stole some tools and a few articles of clothing.

Loses Part of Thumb.

Tony Mathias, of 250 Visitacion was rushed to South City Hospital in the Brisbane ambulance for emergency treatment on July 18th. He had severed part of his left thumb while doing some wood work on a power driven saw.

After initial shock and dressing treatment he was removed to San Francisco Hospital for recuperation.

Gold Badge Given Lady Commissioner.

Brisbane's first woman Fire Commissioner, Mrs. Frances May, was given her official gold badge of office in a ceremony at the regular Commissioner's meeting on July 7th.

Mrs. May succeeded her late husband in this position last March.

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TWIN CITIES?

A situation is fast developing in this area which has every one of us guessing. There is a major community springing into being right alongside Brisbane on the Crocker Estate property.

The Committee investigating the various aspects of incorporating Brisbane should be very well aware of the propensities of that proximity.

Will this be a miniature Minneapolis — St. Paul situation in San Mateo County with — Brisbane — say, Guadalupe relationship? There isn't any river between these two.

If there is a possibility of joint incorporation the first question the people who control the Crocker interests will ask is "What's in it for us?" Of course, Brisbane can well ask the same question.

How much will it cost, per capita, to provide adequate police and fire protection, schooling, thoroughfare construction, sewage disposal, water supply and the many other necessities of a well run community is a question which the committee will eventually answer. We don't mean to rush their investigating procedure but we would like to suggest two sets of figures: one for Brisbane alone and one for the conjoined developments.

The latter would, at this point, call for some very fancy estimating of property valuations of the newer tract. But then again, perhaps this is the time to approach the holders of the questioned property with an out stretched hand attitude.

RELATED ISSUES.

In this issue of the News Bulletin are printed two closely connected issues of vital importance. One is the action being taken by the Board of Fire Commissioners toward installing a more complete fire alarm system. The other is the notice of appeal to the Railroad Commission, by the Visitation Water Supply Co., for aid in an improvement and expansion plan.

At first glance, both of these items mean more money out of the individual pockets of Brisbanites. The cost of more fire alarm boxes and an increased water rate must be paid by local taxpayers.

But, may we call your attention to a third item in this edition? A fire early last month destroyed a dwelling because there was no fire box nearby from which the fire could be reported when it was first noticed. The loss of minutes in flashing a signal cuts down the efficiency of any fire fighting group by great percentages.

Whether or not this particular fire could have been brought under control if the fire fighters equipment had reached the scene earlier is debatable, of course. But it is also irrelevant because the issue is now literally burned out. It is the fires of the future in a fast-growing Brisbane which are cause for concern.

The people who are responsible for the fighting of these future blazes are worried enough about the inadequate fire hydrant and water main system to back the local water supply company for improvement-making funds in the way of mortgages and increased rates.

While there are not enough concrete facts concerning these issues on which to base a definite opinion, we are of the opinion that they must be followed closely in their development by every member of the community.

TRAFFIC LIGHT.

Apparently the News Bulletin was "taken in" by the July 15th estimate of a completion date for the new Bayshore traffic light. As we went to press the installation was not completed.

The structural work is progressing slowly. A shortage of materials is blamed for the delay in completion.

GOVERNOR WARREN'S APPEAL.

An appeal to the people of California to prevent forest fires has been voiced by Governor Warren, through the State Fire Marshall's Office in San Francisco.

Alarmed by the tremendous financial losses to both public and private property, the governor urged that the citizens of California be careful to extinguish outdoor fires when they have served their purpose, and exert caution in tossing cigarettes out of automobile windows when traveling and vacationing during the summer.

Local Fire Marshall Siess received a letter emphasizing the fact that it is the duty of each individual to strictly adhere to the rules of common sense in this all important matter.

Firemen Improving Quarters.

The Brisbane Fire House is undergoing some improvements at the hands of the fire laddies. Using some of their organization's funds for purchasing materials and their own time and labor efforts the men are adding a kitchen, bathroom and bunkroom and have redecorated the meeting room.

The meeting room has been completed in a very attractive cream (fireproof of course) wallboard and light maple woodwork. Theater-type seats are arrayed before a chairman's desk.

Two rooms adjoining this are now being finished. One will be a complete kitchen and the other a spacious bunkroom with four built in bunks, and storage space for four occupants' personal belongings. A shower room will adjoin this room.

Should the day come when Brisbane has a paid fire department this will be a fine duty room and apartment.

LEGAL NOTICE

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Application No. 28005
In the matter of the Application of Theodore C. Linde and Margaret C. Linde, his mother, doing business as Visitation City Water Company, for an Order of the Railroad Commission authorizing the execution of a Mortgage on the Properties and Facilities of the Visitation City Water Company, for an extension of the Boundaries of its operating area and for an increase in Rates.

NOTICE OF HEARING

Notice is hereby given that the Public Utilities Commission of the State of California has set the hearing in the above entitled matter before Examiner MacKall, for Wednesday, August 6, 1947, at 10:00 A. M. in the American Legion Hall, Brisbane, California, at which time and place all interested parties may appear and be heard.

By Order of the Public Utilities Commission.

Dated at San Francisco, this 25th day of July, 1947.

R. J. PAJALICH, Secretary
Public Utilities Commission of the State of California.

Church Notices.

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Evening Service 7:30 P. M.
Prayer Meeting Wednesday 7:30 P. M.

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Temporary Location, Basement
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Library Notes.

The following is a list of recently published books now available at the Public Library:
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John Todhunter.

A famous divorce-court judge, Judge Joseph Sabath, after listening to more reasons why marriages fail than has any other living man, gives newlyweds the following advice. (The same rules will work for older-marrieds):

1: Establish your own home, even in a one room flat. 2: Avoid little quarrels and the big ones will take care of themselves. 3: Compromise constantly. This is the antitoxin for divorce. 4: Practice sympathy, good humor and mutual understanding. 5: Don't grouch before breakfast — or after it. 6: Respect your "in-laws" and don't criticize them. 7: Build your home on religious faith, and never end a day without a clean slate of forgiveness.

Some helpful hints for the ever-busy housewife:

To help restore shrunken woollens, rinse them in soapy water instead of clear water. And while we're on the subject of woollens, next time you wash sweaters, try pinning them to large bath-towels, stretched to the size you want them when dry, and let them hang from the line as you would the towel alone. You will find that they not only dry faster, but keep in shape.

This tip was sent us from Omaha, by Mrs. R. Wipprecht: To remove grease or stains from wall-paper, make a paste of any good cleaning fluid and baking soda, rub it well into the stained place, and leave until dry. Then brush off. If the stain is stubborn, the process may need to be repeated.

For the younger set: To make one of the new "ponchos", simply make a T-slit in a length of fabric, slip it on and belt it. Clever for beach or sport wear.



Dorothy Dagler gives us this delicious recipe for Veal Scallopini:

Cut Veal into inch squares and flour, salt, and pepper. Brown very fast in HOT oil. Add 1/2 cup Burgundy wine and simmer for five minutes. Add a package of frozen peas, a can of mushrooms if the budget will stand it, and a can of mushroom sauce. Simmer until gravy thickens.

Serve with a large green salad and French bread.

Strawberry Jam: Now that the canning season is with us, and sugar is again available, canning resumes its important role in the family meal-planning. Here is an easy and successful recipe sent to us by Mrs. E. J. Harvey of Salt Lake City. Mrs. Harvey is a former Brisbane resident. Take 3 cups berries, 1 cup sugar. Crush cleaned strawberries with a potato masher. Add sugar and cook in a large saucepan. Cook at a rolling boil for 12 minutes, stirring occasionally to prevent burning. Remove from heat; skim. Pour into sterilized glasses, cover with melted paraffin. For a thicker jam, cook 15-20 minutes, but watch more carefully as it has more

tendency to scorch. Best results are obtained when small quantities are made, so, never make more than double this recipe at a time. For a shorter cooking time, follow the above recipe, cook for 5 minutes at a rolling boil, remove from heat and add 1/4 bottle of fruit pectin, let stand 5 min. while stirring and skimming, then pour into glasses.



Start geranium and pelargonium cuttings now. Use firm green side shoots; make cuttings 3 to 4 in. long.

Now is the time to cover those steep banks; various types of iceplant are ideal for this, or for any all-over ground covering.

Planting: set out plants grown from July sown seed as soon as they have leaved. Keep well watered, as the August wind is cruel to young plants. Prune out weak growth on roses. Pinch back ungainly tips on shrubs. Cut back perennial plants at the end of the first blooming season.

PREVIOUS ENGAGEMENT

Lucy was very angry;
I spurned her luncheon bridge,
And took small Dave and Jerry
To picnic on the ridge.

The sky was blue above us,
The blue of Jerry's eyes;
The gingerbread was luscious;
And there were tiny pies.

Gold powder from the buttercups
Dusted Davy's shoes;
The sun put rouge on both their
cheeks;

The kind the roses use.

A red squirrel begged to join us;
A robin lingered near;
The brook laughed us a welcome;
O, it was all so dear.

And, well I know, in years to come
There will be time for bridge.
But small boys all too soon outgrow
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New Boat Pier Plans For South City.

The recreation commission of South San Francisco has been studying a proposal for a 192-foot pleasure boat dock to be constructed on the South City water front.

Such an addition to the community's pleasure facilities would replace the present dangerous small-craft landing.

The cost of the installation, as reported by the "South San Francisco Journal", would be \$6846 to be divided in three payments over a period extending into 1949. It is expected that the return in rentals from the seafarers using the pier would easily finance the plan. There are many yachtsmen in the "Industrial City" who have been forced to harbor their craft in other Peninsular areas.

Greyhound Lines Assure Cooperation.

For several years Brisbane commuters who depended upon Greyhound Service have consistently complained about the lack of shelter on the highway at the entrance to Brisbane.

The Chamber of Commerce took the matter in hand and communicated with the Pacific Greyhound Lines requesting that they erect adequate shelters for the Brisbane Commuters. In response to their request the Chamber is in receipt of a letter dated July 25 from the President of the Pacific Greyhound Lines, F. W. Ackerman. Mr. Ackerman, in his letter, stated that an investigation will be made immediately and consideration given to the Chamber's request in regards to erecting waiting stations at the entrance of Brisbane on the Bayshore Highway.

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Incorporation Study Group Makes Plans.

by Allan Adams

The Incorporation Committee held its first meeting at the home of Art Kennedy on the evening of July 22.

Mr. Kennedy was elected Chairman, Mrs. Herbert Tann, Recording Secretary and Mrs. Walter Gull, Corresponding Secretary.

A spirited discussion was held on the general view of incorporation. The problems involved were studied and a campaign was laid out. Mr. Kennedy read various excerpts from the law regarding the formation of Sixth-Class Cities in response to pertinent questions.

Several conferences are to be held with various Sixth-Class Cities on the Peninsula, notably Belmont and Millbrae.

Those present and the organizations they represent were:

Bethel Southern Baptist Church — Perry Hanchey and Carl H. Church. Brisbane Fireman's Social Club — Louis H. Terry and Herb Tann. Chamber of Commerce — Arthur Kennedy and Allan Adams. First Baptist Church — Mrs. Herbert Tann, Alvin Eckols and Rev. Edw. Bennet. Brisbane Fire istrict — William Rook. Catholic Church — Mrs. Walter Gull.

Due to the short notice of the meeting, not all the organizations could send representatives. Some had not yet held elections.

Youth Seriously Burned.

Nelson McCrary, twelve year old nephew of Roy Haus, was seriously burned while visiting the home of his Uncle at 55 Inyo Street on July 21st.

A can of cleaning fluid was accidentally turned over while the boy was burning rubbish. His clothing was immediately ignited by the flash blaze. After the flames were extinguished by his aunt, the lad was rushed to the South San Francisco Hospital in a private auto.

Postal Notice.

The Brisbane Postmaster, Margaret E. Tann has released the following official notice:

Continuation of Present Postage Rates and Fees "Under House Joint Resolution 221, 80th Congress, approved by the President on June 30, 1947, the rate of 3-cents letter rate and other postage rates and fees in effect on that date are continued thereafter on a permanent basis."

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Derby Winner to Enter San Francisco Race.

EDDIE BRENZEL, 1947 COASTER CHAMP ENTERS CITY COMPETITION.

Nearly 500 people saw Eddie Brenzel take top honors at the Fourth of July Soap Box Derby. Soon after the event the Brisbane Fire Department, sponsors of the annual derby, received an official invitation to enter a contestant in the San Francisco race to be run on August 2. Eddie was of course the choice and is primed to repeat his performance in the big city event.

Since his coaster is of steel construction and does not conform to the S. F. specifications his sponsors are helping him in the alterations. The wheels on which he rode to victory in the Brisbane Derby are the only parts of his original car which were used in rebuilding.

Mr. L. Mills, president of the Firemen's Social Club, has written to the News Bulletin asking that all the merchants and Drs. Guardino and Lawrence be thanked for their donations for prize money. Two hundred and six dollars in prizes was awarded all the contestants in amounts commensurate with their positions at the finish line.

The winner sped over the course in 45 seconds in the time trials. Paul Mills, although only five years old and the youngest entry, placed 10th in a field of twelve covering the distance in 1 minute 10 seconds.

All the boys were ably assisted by their fathers who acted as pit men or mechanics. Like good seconds many of them drove their son's coasters over the track in a "break-in" grind.

Al Pearson, chairman of the derby committee was helped by the all the firemen in keeping the pace moving and the race a success. Ted Bong, using the Public Address System of the American Legion, acted as announcer and master of ceremonies. Mrs. Frances May, owner of Chuck's Garage served hot-dogs and other refreshments to the crowd, lending a true race course flavor to the affair. The race participants were given this well deserved nourishment during the trials.

The trials were timed at the finish line by the official judges, E. Tikanner and W. Delbon.

Open Fire Breaks Away.

Despite the numerous warnings which have been posted an open fire was started on the De Raad Property on July 4th. As was foreseen by the authorities who enacted the ordinance against such action in the summer time, the fire was spread by a sudden high wind. The Fire Department was alerted and soon had the flames under control.

Chief Lou Terry has asked the News Bulletin to publish a warning again. He states that such an incident merely proves his contention that open fires are very dangerous to property. Next time perhaps his men would not be able to gain control of such a fire before serious damage had been done. He reminds us that only contained fires are legal until November 1st and that these must be extinguished by 4 P. M.

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Commissioners Study Fire Alarm System.

Prompted by the lack of adequate fire alarm facilities in Brisbane the Fire District Commissioners have delegated the fire Marshall R. Siess, to investigate the possibilities of bringing the present system up to date.

At the July meeting Mr. Siess gave a report of a tentative plan and the probable cost. He consulted the Chico Electric Company which services the alarm system of Brisbane, Bayshore and South City. The Board of Fire Underwriters will approve only a Direct Current system which automatically is switched to batteries if a power failure occurs. Should such an installation be made, says Mr. Siess, a noticeable reduction in insurance rates would result.

For a 20 box system plan which would cover the tract and the acres with no point more than a block away from a signal box, an estimate of \$9000 has been given. According to Mr. Siess this would be paid off on a three year plan at a cost of about \$2 a year per taxpayer. Methods of financing were discussed at the meeting and it was speculated that the proposal would be on the ballot next April.

Further investigation is being conducted.

Fire and Wreck Keep Volunteers Busy.

Saturday July 19th proved to be a busy day for the Fire Department. After extinguishing a small blaze, caused by faulty wiring, in the automobile of Mrs. Nizek of Santa Clara Street, the equipment was parked in the fire house for only a few minutes before it rolled out again to stand by at a wreck on Bayshore highway.

One auto, attempting to make a left-hand turn into Brisbane, was hit in the rear by a following car. The driver of the second auto was seriously injured and was taken to the South San Francisco Hospital for treatment.

Neither driver was a resident of Brisbane.

After helping with the automobile fire Captain Barney Blanchard of the department was struck by an auto while standing beside the fire truck. The offending driver ignored the whistled warning of Police Patrol Officer Mullen who was directing traffic at the scene. Captain Blanchard was able to resume his duties having sustained only minor bruises.

Junior Teen Club Have Dance.

Saturday night, July 26, the Junior Teen Club held a barn dance at the Recreation Hall. The place was decorated with colorful crepe paper and straw by the decorating committee. Everyone was appropriately dressed for the dance, assuring a swell time for all.

Junior Teen dances are held every other Friday night from 8:00 P. M. to 11:00 P. M. for the sixth, seventh and eighth graders.

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New Police Officers Seem Efficient.

Experienced Officers Assume
Unofficial Duties

Police patrolling of Brisbane was taken over from Del Ferree during July by two experienced men, A. Felger and Fred Mullins. Both are duly deputized by the San Mateo County law enforcing office and are well grounded in police work, as shown in their records.

Because Brisbane is not in a police district the new officers have only a semi-official status and depend on voluntary support from the citizenry in a way of financial contributions.

To date they do not have the sponsorship of any of the various civic groups of the tract as did their predecessor, Mr. Ferree. However, many of the merchants of the business district being patrolled have expressed admiration for the efficient manner in which the officers go about their duties, and are actively supporting their efforts.

A steady patrol with regular two hourly checks of all premises in the district has been maintained. This is made on foot but constant contact with the San Mateo Sheriff's Office is maintained by using the two way radio with which the officers' car is equipped. This contact is demanded by the county police.

At present officers Mullin and Felger are confining their activities to the business district but are seeking the support of property owners in the residential areas.

Their close cooperation with the Fire Department is evidenced by the fact that one of the men is present at every emergency in the area. Directing traffic, executing the fire chief's orders, getting official information and acting on their own initiative are some of the police duties these men perform capably in such emergencies.

Officer Felger most recently had a similar patrol in Lomita Park. Prior to that time he was a Special Criminal Investigator for the U. S. Maritime Commission during the war. His other experience includes a tour of duty on the Palm Springs force and Treasury Department work.

Police work qualifications of Officer Mullins were gained during the fourteen years he was Special Policeman in San Francisco on his own "beat".

Both men are married, Mullins being the father of three children.

Headquarters have been established in the Lopez Building on Visitacion

American Legion News.

by J. T. Bons, Jr. Past Commander
Sam Cole, Adjutant
Frank (Moon) Mullen, Commander

On July 10th, Brisbane Post 473 installed its new officers for the coming year. Many visitors and distinguished guests were present. We certainly welcomed our local visitors as we would like to show what we really do. The following comrades were installed amid great pomp and ceremony by the Ritualistic Team of the San Mateo County Voiture 40 et 8. Frank Mullen, Commander, Elbert Clark, 1st Vice Commander, Merle Van Kirk, 2nd Vice Commander, Sam Cole, Adjutant, John Carrigan, Finance Officer, Bill Ard, Chaplain, "Shorty" Caughenover Historian and Chester Mahaffie Sergeant at Arms. The old Officers were retired and now get a deserved rest. We did have a good year and we all know that this year will be better. Good luck to all.

We are now launching our 1948 membership campaign. The objective is to break last year's record.

All veterans are invited into The American Legion on a full partnership basis. There are great programs to be carried out in rehabilitation, employment, Americanism, national defense, child welfare and community service. In this job of working for a better and a secure America every veteran has a place in the American Legion. World War I veterans over 28 years built the American Legion into the great organization it is today. It is now up to the veterans of World War II to carry the ball from here. They are the heirs of the American Legion and its ideals and activities.

Membership is the deep well of strength of all American Legion accomplishments. We need every veteran's membership because our future tasks are greater than before. In the fight to win a lasting peace The American Legion must mobilize every ounce of strength it can. All veterans, united in overwhelming strength in The American Legion, can win this fight. Brisbane Post 473 welcomes you. Meetings are every 2nd and 4th Thursday of the month. Time 8 P. M.

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